



Effective Instructional Strategies for Preschool and Kindergarten

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Session: 9:15 – 10:30 am
Room: Aztec B & C

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Session Description:

The Arizona Early Learning Standards and the Arizona Academic Standards establish the level of rigor required for student success. It is the responsibility of the instructional staff to utilize teaching strategies for math and science that are developmentally appropriate and align with the way the young child's brain develops. This session will focus on identifying researched based strategies that best fit the young learner such as dramatic play, the use of manipulatives, and implementation of concrete learning experiences.

How the session addresses Innovation:

Improvement in the quality of preschool and kindergarten classrooms is an integral part of creating the new and innovate early childhood movement in Arizona.

Presenter Information:

Amy Corriveau is the Deputy Associate Superintendent for Early Childhood Education at the Arizona Department of Education. She is currently a member of the Early Childhood Inclusion Coalition as well as a member of the Early Childhood Development and Health Board as part of the First Things First Initiative.

Terry Doolan is an Early Childhood Education Program Specialist with the Arizona Department of Education. Prior to joining the ADE, Terry worked at Maricopa County Head Start for 14 years as a teacher, mentor, and Education Coordinator.

Mari Whelan is an Early Childhood Education Program Specialist with the Arizona Department of Education. Mari has been with the department for 2 years. Prior to joining the ADE, Mari worked for 10 years in the Paradise Valley School District as a teacher in grades K-3.

Session Materials

[PowerPoint Handout](#)